

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Original) A high pullulan content liquid, which has a viscosity of 2.5 mm<sup>2</sup>/s or more in terms of a pullulan concentration of 10%(w/w) when determined at 30°C on the Ubelode viscometer method, a common bacterial count of less than 300 cells/g product, a negativity with respect to coliform group, a pH of 4.5 to 7.5, and a pullulan concentration of 20%(w/w) or more.

2. (Original) The high pullulan content liquid of claim 1, wherein said pullulan has a weight-average molecular weight (MW) of 5,000 to 500,000.

3. (Original) The high pullulan content liquid of claim 1 or 2, which is in the form of an aqueous pullulan solution.

4. (Previously Presented) The high pullulan content liquid of claim 1, which further contains one or more disinfectants and/or bacteriostats.

5. (Previously Presented) The high pullulan content liquid of claim 4, wherein said disinfectants and/or said bacteriostats comprise ethanol.

6. (Currently Amended) A method ~~of~~for transporting ~~at~~the high pullulan content liquid of claim 1, which comprises a step of (a) injecting said high pullulan content liquid into a member selected from the group consisting of various shapes and volumes of containers; tanks; containers loaded into or equipped on trains, ships, airplanes, and trucks; and tank trucks; and (b) transporting said high pullulan content liquid of claim 1 under a temperature condition of 14°C or lower.

7. (Currently Amended) A method for transporting the high pullulan content liquid of claim 1, which comprises a step of (a) injecting said high pullulan content liquid into a member selected from the group consisting of various shapes and volumes of containers; tanks; containers loaded into or equipped on trains, ships, airplanes, and trucks; and tank trucks; and (b) transporting said high pullulan content liquid under a temperature condition of 37°C or lower.

8. (Previously Presented) The high pullulan content liquid of claim 2, which further contains one or more disinfectants and/or bacteriostats.

9. (Previously Presented) The high pullulan content liquid of claim 8, wherein said disinfectants and/or said bacteriostats comprise ethanol.

10. (Currently Amended) A method for transporting the high pullulan content liquid of claim 8, which comprises a step of (a) injecting said high pullulan content liquid into a member selected from the group consisting of various shapes and volumes of containers; tanks; containers loaded into or equipped on trains, ships, airplanes, and trucks; and tank trucks; and (b) transporting said high pullulan content liquid under a temperature condition of 37°C or lower.

11. (Currently Amended) A method for transporting the high pullulan content liquid of claim 9, which comprises a step of (a) injecting said high pullulan content liquid into a member selected from the group consisting of various shapes and volumes of containers; tanks; containers loaded into or equipped on trains, ships, airplanes, and trucks; and tank trucks; and (b) transporting said high pullulan content liquid under a temperature condition of 37°C or lower.

12. (Previously Presented) The high pullulan content liquid of claim 3, which further contains one or more disinfectants and/or bacteriostats.

13. (Previously Presented) The high pullulan content liquid of claim 12, wherein said disinfectants and/or said bacteriostats comprise ethanol.

14. (Currently Amended) A method for transporting the high pullulan content liquid of claim 12, which comprises a step of (a) injecting said high pullulan content liquid into a member selected from the group consisting of various shapes and volumes of containers; tanks; containers loaded into or equipped on trains, ships, airplanes, and trucks; and tank trucks; and (b) transporting said high pullulan content liquid under a temperature condition of 37°C or lower.

15. (Currently Amended) A method for transporting the high pullulan content liquid of claim 13, which comprises a step of (a) injecting said high pullulan content liquid into a member selected from the group consisting of various shapes and volumes of containers; tanks; containers loaded into or equipped on trains, ships, airplanes, and trucks; and tank trucks; and (b) transporting said high pullulan content liquid under a temperature condition of 37°C or lower.